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For: A METHOD TO IMPROVE THE SELECTIVITY OF

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In response to the Office Action dated February 9, 2004, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group I, Claims 1 and 2 for further prosecution.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.